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PRESIDENT SAYS U-BOAT ORDERS MUST BE OBEYED

Message to Germany, Forwarded Today, Says That Recent Reply to U. S. Protest Will Be Accepted Pending Future Effectiveness of Orders to Submarines—Berlin Told That It Cannot Enter Negotiations With England on Blockade.

Washington, May 8.—A note to Germany has practically been completed and probably will go forward to Berlin today. The note, it is understood, will be brief, informing Germany that as long as the new instructions to submarine commanders are observed diplomatic relations will be continued but that the United States cannot allow Germany to dictate its negotiations with Great Britain.

The President worked on the proposed communication early today following his conference with Secretary Lansing last night. It is understood officials are so far agreed on the policy to be pursued that it will not be necessary to wait for the cabinet meeting tomorrow.

While the German note has been averted, for the present at least, a break in diplomatic relations it was said today that the President was not satisfied

CARPENTERS REPUTATE STRIKE OF WORKERS AT ARMS CO. DEVELOPMENT

Two hundred and fifty carpenters employed by James Stewart & Co. at the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co.'s development in the East End struck this morning. The carpenters' union has repudiated the action.

The men demand \$4.50 a day, in violation of the agreement signed by the carpenters' union and the master builders of the city, which calls for \$3.25 a day on and after May 15. Absolute refusal to recognize the action of the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. was made this morning by the union officials. "We propose to live up to our agreement with the master builders who employ union men," they declared today. "We shall not give our support to this action. It was taken by men who are envious of the profits being made in the construction business, without considering the welfare of their fellow workers."

T. J. Pardy, speaking for the master builders who signed the agreement, declared: "We propose to live up to this agreement, which was signed in good faith. I understand that the union insists also on living up to it. The men who strike are men who do not live here, have no relations nor interest here, except to get what they can."

George C. Grant, superintendent of the Stewart Co., said: "We shall not meet these demands. They are in violation of the agreement. We are not working today. This matter has been taken up with the international heads of the union and one of them is coming here."

Cutters May Take Strike Vote Tonight

Local No. 34, of the International Ladies' Garment Workers, which is composed of cutters is likely to take

NOT SURE NOW WHO'S TO GET BRIDGE JOBS

Edward Devoe Tompkins, Inc., May Not Be Lowest Bidder After All.

Edward Devoe Tompkins, Inc., New York, although apparently lowest bidder for the contracts for the Grand street and East Washington avenue bridges may not be lowest after all. Although the firms bid seems low on the lump sum for the bridges proper, it appears that the real cost lies in the prices made for dredging, filling, excavating for the draw spans and for the building of the approaches. The lump prices submitted Saturday are on the double level bascule span with other work figured as extras.

The Grand street and East Washington avenue bridge commissions will meet in joint session in the common council chamber at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to consider the figures which have been offered and to award the contracts for the bridges.

ARREST MONTE SHARPS
Joseph Anderson, 26, of Philadelphia, and John A. Brown, 35, of Providence, were arrested at the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. this afternoon for operating a three-card monte game. They are accused of having fleeced Albert Sundaft of 490 Broad street, out of \$2.

The association of deputy collectors of Internal Revenue of this state and Rhode Island will meet in this city on next Saturday afternoon for a social time. About 50 are expected.

MUST BROADEN COMPENSATION LAW OF STATE

Occupational Disease Does Not Come Within Scope of Present Legislation

STATE'S ATTORNEY POINTS OUT DEFECT

Letter of Law As Now Written Does Not Carry Out Its Purpose

The next session of the General Assembly will have the duty of broadening the terms of the Workmen's Compensation act, which, by a recent decision of the Supreme Court of Errors, proves unexpectedly narrow.

That this duty will come to the General Assembly is the opinion of Homer S. Cummings, and his views are founded upon the decision in the case of Louis Miller vs. American Steel and Wire company of New Jersey.

Speaking of this case to a representative of The Farmer, today, Mr. Cummings said: "In this case the question arose whether an employee who had worked in a room where fumes from molten lead arose, from which he contracted lead poisoning, could recover under the Compensation Act. Our court held that he could not."

"This decision is important because it places an interpretation upon the Workmen's Compensation Act which excludes from its operation all recoveries due to what are known as 'occupational diseases.' Those of us who have been interested in the passage and perfection of our Compensation Act have rejoiced that Connecticut had placed upon its statute books as humane and enlightened a piece of legislation will be disturbed, to find that the act is unexpectedly narrow in its terms."

The question apparently turned upon the interpretation to be placed upon the words 'personal injury.' Under the act an employee is entitled to recover for a personal injury arising in the course of and out of his employment. The present decision seems to indicate that this refers only to accidental injuries and not to injuries caused by disease. Of course, it is manifest that, as a matter of principle, an occupational disease is as much a proper subject for compensation as an industrial accident.

"Industry and society must make provision for its victims. The purpose of the act was to protect our working people against industrial hazard. It is manifest that the spirit of the law covers such a hazard whether it arise from accident or from a disease contracted in the very occupation in which the worker was necessarily employed."

"I am not criticising the decision of the Supreme Court of Errors. I am merely calling attention to the fact that the decision reveals a defect in our Workmen's Compensation Act which should be remedied as speedily as possible."

"And the duty of providing a remedy?"

"Is for the General Assembly," replied Mr. Cummings.

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The electrical workers seek \$4 a day. Some are getting \$3.50 now. The employers want to grant \$3.50, which has been refused.

Mr. Boyle said today that all of the strikers have obtained work with employers who will give the required pay.

Competition for those employers who haven't agreed to the striking electrical workers' demands is one alternative. If the demands aren't granted according to C. J. Boyle, international organizer of the union.

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THROUGH WEEPS AT OBSEQUIES OF FR. JANKOLA

Hundreds in Tears As His Work Among Parishioners is Recalled.

BISHOP NILAN AT ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY

Thrilling Oratory of Eulogy Inspires Prayers of Bereaved Congregation.

Hundreds were moved to tears at the obsequies over the body of the late Rev. Matthew Jankola, pastor of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Slavonian R. C. church, in that city this morning, when a touching eulogy was delivered by Rev. Francis Vlossak, O. F. M., of South Bethlehem, Pa., where the deceased once was pastor. With thrilling oratory Father Vlossak described the work accomplished by the priest.

When the orator told of the many charitable deeds of the deceased, men, women and children, regardless of age, broke down and their sobs were audible outside the edifice.

At Rev. John Joseph Nilan, bishop of the diocese of Hartford, was present. He said the opening prayers of the mass. The red robes of the head of the Catholic diocese were conspicuously above the other robes worn by priests and monks. After the requiem mass had been celebrated Bishop Nilan gave absolution.

As early as 8 o'clock grief-stricken parishioners of Father Jankola's began to fill the handsome edifice of Sts. Cyril and Methodius. A squad of police under the supervision of Captain John H. Reed, stationed at the church, kept the sidewalks and streets clear. The police squad were John McPadden, John Dempsey, Charles Meyer, James Glennon and Herbert Dwyer.

Porches on the surrounding houses were filled with sorrowful friends and acquaintances of the deceased beloved pastor. Crescent avenue from Pembroke street to Hallett street was crowded with mourners as was Church street from Pembroke to Hallett street.

The body of Father Jankola lay in state in a handsome oak casket at the head of the altar, and the body of the deceased pastor was clothed in purple vestments, wore a black biretta and held a gold cross in his right hand. The casket was covered with a glass casing and the body of the priest was visible in its entire length.

At 10 o'clock the beautiful edifice was crowded to the doors and the mourners caused an overflow to the church of the church. The choir was composed of Miss Elizabeth Stanton, soprano; Mrs. Fintin J. Kelly, alto; J. J. Kennedy, bass; and Prof. Alfred T. Brisebois, tenor. The organist, Schmidt's regular mass was sung. At the offertory Miss Stanton sang "Domine."

Father Andrew J. Komara, pastor of St. John's Slavonian R. C. church, was in charge of the funeral. The first ceremony was the chanting of the funeral arrangements being appointed to that position by Bishop Nilan. Undertaker George Plisley was in charge of the funeral.

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NEW PUNITIVE FORCE GOES ACROSS MEXICO BORDER IN PURSUIT OF RAIDING BANDS

FEW CONTESTS ARE PROBABLE IN CONVENTION

Burr, Minor, Fitzgerald and Kennedy Likely to Be the Big Four.

Outward indications are that the Democratic State convention, which opens tomorrow evening at Music Hall, New Haven, will be a very harmonious gathering. There are no signs of serious contests for places in the delegation to the national convention, and the work of the convention undoubtedly will be conducted with dispatch.

State Chairman David E. Fitzgerald will call the convention to order at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening. The state central committee, at its meeting tomorrow afternoon, will approve the temporary roll of delegates. National Committeeman Homer S. Cummings will be introduced as temporary chairman and will deliver an address.

Immediately after the temporary chairman's address the convention will recess so that senatorial caucuses may be held. The caucuses will name members of the various convention committees. The congressional caucus will be held after the senatorial caucus and alternates to the national convention will be held after the senatorial meetings.

The convention will meet again at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, and it is probable that Mr. Cummings will be made permanent chairman. The selection of delegates to the national convention and the adoption of resolutions will complete the session's business.

Pre-convention gossip has it that the "big four," as the delegates-at-large are termed, will consist of Willie O. Burr, of Hartford; former Senator Alton T. Minor, of New London; State Chairman David E. Fitzgerald, of New Haven; and former Congressman William H. Kennedy, of Naugatuck. The names of Thomas Spellacy, of Hartford, and Charles W. Comstock, of Montville, have also been mentioned in connection with the "big four."

The first district probably will name former Congressman Augustus Loneragan, of Hartford; former Senator William H. Landers, of New Britain; or Michael J. Connors, of Enfield for delegates.

Former Comptroller Daniel P. Dunn, of Willimantic, is a possibility for one of the delegates from the Second district, while the Third district probably will name former Congressman Thomas A. Reilly, of Meriden, and Major Louis S. Stoddard, of New Haven.

Daniel Walker, of Bridgeport, has the endorsement of Bridgeport's nineteen delegates for one of the Fourth district's representatives at the national convention. Charles D. Lockwood, of Stamford, and Sanford S. Weed, of New Canaan, are other possibilities from this district.

From the Fifth district, former Mayor William Thomas, of Waterbury, John F. Addis, of New Milford, and E. S. Roberts, of Canaan, are mentioned.

The committee on the revision of rules, of which John J. Cullinan of this city is a member, will have a meeting tomorrow afternoon. The committee's final report, however, will not be submitted until the fall convention.

Revoke Citizenship of Man Who Swore Falsely As To Date

For making a false statement regarding the time of his arrival in this country, the citizenship certificate of Charles K. Stevens of Danbury has been revoked, according to a notice received today by Naturalization Clerk Flanagan from Judge Thomas of the United States District court.

Stevens swore he entered this country at El Paso, Tex., in Feb. 1906. From the statement of a man who entered the country at El Paso with Stevens it was learned that the real date of Stevens' entrance was February, 1907. The government officials discovered this and called it to the attention of Judge Thomas.

FEARS FOR SAFETY OF HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN

Fears for the safety of his wife and children, who are in Ephros, Greece, led Thomas S. Adams of 871 State street to appeal to Naturalization Clerk M. J. Flanagan. Adams asked the United States government to prevail upon Grecian officials to allow the family to leave the country. He said they had been refused permission to leave Ephros.

Clerk Flanagan wrote to Congressman E. J. Hill, who replied today asking Adams to file an affidavit giving the facts in the case and stating the ages of his wife and children. When the facts are in hand Congressman Hill says he will see that the attention of the Grecian officials is called to the plight of the Adams family. Mrs. Adams and her children were visiting in Greece at the time that country was drawn into the war zone.

As a result of puncturing his thumb with an instrument he was using in filling a patient's tooth, Dr. Frank Timmerman, of Chicago, died of blood poisoning.

HOUSE IS AGAINST SENATE BILL FOR ARMY OF 250,000

Turns Down Amendment Calling For Increase By Big Vote.

Washington, May 8.—A standing army of 250,000 men, provided for in the Senate amendment of the army bill, was rejected by the House today 221 to 142.

The House bill provided for 140,000 men. The Senate's plan to provide for a volunteer army of 261,000 was rejected today by the House by a vote of 221 to 142.

DR. ELLIS QUILTS CHARITIES BOARD FOR OTHER WORK

Press of Professional Duties Prompts Him to Resign As Commissioner.

Dr. Thomas Long Ellis, who was appointed on January 1, to succeed the Rev. John MacLaren Richardson as member of the board of charities for a term of two years, sent his resignation to Mayor Wilton Saturday. It was accepted by the mayor today. No successor to Dr. Ellis has been decided on, but his successor will undoubtedly be a physician. At present the mayor is considering a number of physicians for the place, among them Dr. H. Willard Fleck and Dr. Frederic J. Adams. It will be at least a week before the mayor decides on the successor to Dr. Ellis.

In his letter to the mayor, Dr. Ellis gives no reason for his resignation. To The Farmer today Dr. Ellis said that press of his practice prevented him from continuing longer as a member of the board. His action is received with regret by his colleagues on the board and by the members of the Republican administration.

It was largely through the efforts of Dr. Ellis that bond issues were obtained to provide public clinics for those afflicted with disease who are too poor to pay the usual fees for medical treatment. The clinics will be opened as soon as they bond issues are disposed of.

MALICE BEHIND DESTRUCTION OF PHONE CIRCUITS

Persons With Grievance Suspected of Destroying Wires at Waterfront.

Destruction of property by the Southern New England Telephone Co. caused an institution of an investigation today.

For more than three weeks, repair men in the employ of the company, called to various parts of the city where telephones have been out of order, have found wires cut. The latest report was from the waterfront today where several telephones were cut off.

South Main street, the East End and the neighborhood of Water street, have been affected. The perpetrators didn't take away the wires, merely putting it out of commission and going away.

W. W. Knight, head of the S. N. E. T. Co., said this afternoon: "We have known of these occurrences for several weeks and attribute them to malice. Some person or persons with a grudge must be doing it."

"We have had no trouble with our men who are satisfied with their jobs, and it would be rather far fetched to suspect any electrical worker who is on strike."

C. J. Boyle, international organizer of the Electrical Workers, heard of the destruction today and he hastened to say a word that might offset jumping to conclusions.

"This is unfortunate," he said, "coming at the time of the strike, because some persons will be able to ready to blame it on the strikers."

"We have no quarrel with the telephone company. The lissamen here aren't organized and won't be involved in this strike. Besides, we wouldn't adopt destructive methods because of the nature of the thing in the first place and secondly because it would be the worst thing possible for us."

THE WEATHER.
Showers tonight and Tuesday, cooler Tuesday. Moderate to fresh southwest to west winds.

Gen. Funston Acts Promptly Against Bandits Who Surprised Small Force of Soldiers and Killed Civilians at Glenn Springs and Alpine.

More Troops For Border Guard Are Urged—Oregon Arranges For Another Conference With Gen. Scott at Which Protocol May Be Signed.

Washington, May 8.—A new American expedition may already be across the Mexican border in pursuit of the bandits who raided Glenn Springs and Alpine, Texas, last week.

Secretary Baker said today he had received a report from General Funston as to steps taken in that direction but declined to reveal its contents.

He said General Funston's original orders still stood, however, and they gave him authority to cross whenever the need arose.

No additional report of the raid had reached the department at the time. On the basis of consular dispatches yesterday, however, Secretary Lansing has forwarded a report to the Mexican de facto government calling attention to the latest bandit activities along the border.

A specific request was made for disposition of Carranza troops to better protect the border but state department officials said it was assumed that prompt pursuit of the raiders already had been ordered by General Obregon, the Mexican war minister, of his subordinates.

It was believed possible some method of direct co-operation for the extermination or capture of the Glenn Springs raiders might result from the conference today between Generals Scott and Obregon at El Paso. The conferees met yesterday for the purpose of working out the final form of the agreement they have reached regarding the border situation, but news of the Glenn Springs incident and unfounded rumors of other raids caused delay. General Scott reported to Secretary Baker that after the meeting today he expected the agreement would be completed in the light of these most recent happenings.

The war department has heard informally that General Carranza approved the Scott-Obregon plan with the minor exceptions, but what is not satisfactory has not stated. It was hoped here the whole matter would be disposed of today by the conference. There is no indication at the war department that steps were in contemplation to increase the border forces because of the Glenn Springs incident. Secretary Baker would not say whether General Funston had made any recommendations on this question. It is known that the calling of a portion of the National Guard to aid in the border patrol is not now under consideration.

Army officers have feared some such occurrence as that at Glenn Springs since it became necessary to break up the border guard at various points. They believe it dangerous to leave a few men isolated from larger commands in positions where they might be exposed to attack by considerable numbers of raiders. It is understood that company commanders in several instances have urged that their commands be held together for protection and so placed as to be able to hurry to any attacked or threatened point.

Raiding Bandits Flee
Alpine, Tex., May 8.—Fleeing through the wild mesa of Northern Coahuila, the 70 or more bandits that raided the American settlement of Glenn Springs and Boquilla last Friday, killing three cavalrymen and a nine year old boy, are believed to be heading in the interior today, many miles from the scene of their depredation.

A posse from Marathon and a detachment of troops of the 14th cavalry are said to have followed the trail of the Mexicans into Coahuila, while other reports have it that the Americans are awaiting at the Rio Grande for reinforcements.

Captain Caspar Cole is hurrying to Boquilla to take command. Two companies of the 14th cavalry and a machine gun company are expected here or at Marathon this afternoon, when they will head southward to the Big Bend country. It is not known here whether the new troops contemplate a long pursuit of the bandits into Mexico or will be placed as an additional guard along the border.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE TODAY.
El Paso, May 8.—General Obregon, minister of war of the de facto government, announced that the next conference with Generals Scott and Funston would be held today.

General Scott indicated today that the next move in the negotiations must come from the Mexicans. Asked if he would take any steps towards arranging the next conference, he said: "Not one step."